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AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION

1. Block 9 on the SF 33 form has been modified as follows:

Proposal, Date Due: 07/31/97 2:30 PM EDT

2. The attachment entitled "BIDDERS LIST" has been modified. An address is corrected as follows:

ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY METHODS
AND STATE PESTICIDE LABORATORIES PROGRAM SUPPORT

BIDDERS LIST

ADPEN Laboratories, Inc. 11757 Central Parkway Jacksonville, FL 32224

- 3. The attachment entitled "QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS TO RFP PR-HQ-97-10505" has been added. The text is as follows:
- a. Section M of this RFP does not include evaluation criteria for the technical approach portion of the proposal. Please provide the criteria that address how the technical approach will be evaluated.
 - Section M.3, Technical Evaluation Criteria, is amended to include as the number 1 subcriterion, "A demonstrated understanding of the Statement-of-Work and the Proposer's technical approaches for accomplishing that work".
- b. The RFP requests presentation of a Quality Assurance Program Plan and a Quality Assurance Project Plan. Is a Quality Assurance Project Plan required for response to the RFP? If so, should it be written broadly to cover all tasks or should it address specific tasks?
 - A Quality Assurance Project Plan is not required for response to the RFP.
- c. Are the Quality Assurance Program Plan and the Quality Assurance Project Plan included in the page limitation?

The Quality Assurance Program Plan is included in the page limitation. As noted in number 2 above, the Quality Assurance Project Plan is not required.

d. Can copies of quality awards be added as an additional appendix or should they just be mentioned and be available upon request?

A copy of quality awards is not required to be submitted, however the proposer's response should comply with the requirements of Section L-10 of the RFP.

e. Since the Statement of Work requests the setup of workshops including presentations and training manuals, there is a need for publication staff for technical editing and presentation materials. Can this labor be included as direct costs? If so, is it included in the labor hours or should it be added to the existing labor hours?

Clause L.13, "Definition of Labor Classifications" provides definitions of Professional Labor classifications PL-4 through PL-1 and for Technician Labor classification levels 3 through 1.

f. Would the performance of work for agrochemical companies in support of pesticide registration automatically be considered conflict of interest for this procurement?

Each offer will be evaluated for potential conflict of interest issues. The Contracting Officer is required to avoid, neutralize or mitigate significant potential conflicts before contract award.

g. Under Task 11, "Design, Develop, and/or Implement a National and/or International Pesticide Chemistry Training Program": In the descriptions of the different levels of training, repeated reference is made to "semester". Is this work used in the sense of a college semester wherethe educational process is spread over 12-13 weeks with 3-4 hours of instruction per week? Or does EPA envision a course where the material is covered intensively over a much shorter time? Is it the intent of EPA to have the contractor design a course for which students would obtain college credit?

The course would be conducted each weekday over a 12-15 week period, with course-work intense and highly focused, similar to the structure of college and graduate level courses. Classes shall consist of both lecture and laboratory sessions, with after-class reading and study anticipated.